

LDMS TROJAN TIMES

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Parent Internet/Phone

Safety Night

October 16th, 2019 at 5:30
p.m. at Lylburn Downing
Middle School

Learn how to keep your child
safe in the digital age!

Presented by: Jared L. Moon,
Commonwealth's Attorney
for Lexington/Rockbridge
and Investigators Josh Berry
and Andrew Ehrhard

WINTER SPORTS

Winter Sports are just
around the corner!

LDMS offers Boys
Basketball, Cheerleading,
and Girls Basketball.

Information concerning
each sport will be
announced throughout the
month of October!

All participants **MUST**
have a VHSL physical
prior to trying out for
sports.

Contact the main office if
you have questions.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

October is a time of transitions. Not only are the seasons in transition, but the first nine weeks ends, fall sports end and winter sports get started and there are new opportunities for students to find success and have fun. As we transition into autumn I encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities that are out there. Please let know if you have any questions. Go Trojans!!!

LDMS SCHOOL NEWS AND NOTES



Parent-Teacher Conference Information

Parent-teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, *October 24th from 2 – 6 p.m.*, and Friday, *October 25th from 8 a.m. – Noon*. A letter will be mailed home soon with details and procedures for scheduling a conference. Please contact Ms. Leonard, our School Counselor, at sleonard@lexedu.org if you have any questions.

October is Bullying Prevention Month

LDMS will make announcements every Friday about bullying and how to prevent it. Also, Ms. Leonard will provide a class guidance lesson in 7th grade Civics classes on bullying recognition and prevention. As a reminder, we have an anonymous bullying report form on our website at: lexingtonva.gov/community/schools/webforms/bullying_form.htm. This form can be filled out and sent electronically to the school completely anonymously. If you see bullying and are afraid of reporting it in person, use this form! We follow up with every report.

Remember, bullying can take many forms. It can be physical, like hitting, kicking, or punching. It can also be social or emotional, like using words to hurt someone, leaving someone out, or gossiping and spreading rumors. Bullying can happen at school, in your neighborhood, or online. It is always unwanted, repetitive, and involves an imbalance of power.

PTA NEWS

Happy Autumn! There is still time to join the PTA! Look for the orange information sheets on the table in the front office, and return your membership envelope to the front office. It's even easier to join online by visiting <https://ldms.memberhub.store/>.

Book Fair at LDMS! There will be a Book Fair in the Media Center during the week of October 21-25. Volunteers get ready! We will need help staffing the Book Fair and hope that everyone will take the opportunity to do some shopping!

Keep clipping Box Tops! We will be having a Box Tops Drive the week of October 21-25. The class that brings in the most Box Tops will get a treat! Please consider using the [Box Tops app](#)!

The LDMS Career Fair will be on Friday, October 18. Thank you to the parents and community members who are giving their time and expertise to share information about their careers with our students!

Fill the Fridge! Last year the LDMS community donated 782 pounds of food, equal to 651 meals! We will be collecting canned goods and other non-perishables for the RARA Food Pantry during the week of November 4-8. The grade level that brings in the most donations will win a snow-cone party!

LDMS Goes Green! Did you know that LDMS has solar panels? Solar Panels were installed on the roof of LDMS three years ago. Since then, over 387 Megawatt hours (MWh) have been generated. That equals the amount of electricity used by 127,710 homes during one hour. Go to <https://www.solrenview.com/SolrenView/mainFr.php?siteId=4363> to see a real-time reading of LDMS' energy creation! To get more information about going solar for your own home go to <https://www.solarunitedneighbors.org/virginia/>



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1 October: Volleyball @ Covington, 5:00
3 October: 5:00 Home Volleyball Vs. PMMS
7 October: 5:30 Home Volleyball Vs. Shelburne
8 October: 5:00 Home Volleyball Vs. Clifton Middle School (8th Grade Night)
10 October: Volleyball @ Kate Collins, 5:00
11 October: End of 1st Grading Period
14 October: Teacher Workday (No School)
15 October: Grades due at 8:00
15 October: Volleyball Away Vs. MRMS, 5:00
16 October: Internet and phone safety night at LDMS, 5:30
17 October: Earthquake Drill 10:17am
18 October: Career Day
18 October: Dance Sponsored by Boy's Tennis/Band
21-25 October: Book Fair LDMS Library
21 October: Report cards sent home
24 October: Parent Conferences: 1:00 School Closing
25 October: Parent Conferences: No School
29 October: 5:30 p.m. Beta Induction Ceremony
31 October: 6th Grade Downtown Lexington Field Trip

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